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BRIEFS AND COMMENTS

SUDAN:

Other Sudanese cabinet members have suggested that the conservative Arab states will withdraw their financial aid if Sudan does not alter its policies. Saudi Arabia backed away last month from a commitment to finance the purchase by Sudan of F-5 aircraft from the US, but so far has reaffirmed its willingness to continue other economic assistance. If Numayri were forced to choose between withdrawing support from Sadat or losing Saudi aid, he probably would reluctantly abandon the Egyptian leader.

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